



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Manfred EIGEN et al.

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A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE SELECTIVE WITHDRAWAL OF CONTENTS

FROM COMPLEX MIXTURES

## RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the election of species requirement dated June 12, 2003, applicants elect the first species, i.e., a method and apparatus for screening substances to determine their pharmacological activity, claims 68-86 and 106 being readable, thereon for prosecution on the merits.

Favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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